

To whom it may concern:

The Radio Act of 1927 established that broadcasters utilizing the electromagnetic spectrum must operate in the "public interest, convenience, and necessity." However, listening to and watching radio and television today derives nothing short of folly. The content of such media may be in fact what people "want," and certainly this helps line the pockets and portfolios of broadcasting and advertising executives, but for those seeking higher quality standards of truly informative news and musical enrichment, XM satellite radio provides this necessary alternative.

For instance, those who drive in the Washington, DC metropolitan area appreciate valid and reliable information concerning vehicle travel on major arterial roads. XM radio provides this 24/7, without the relentless commercials and without the superfluous commentary.

Thus I oppose HR 4026 and think the NAB should concentrate on raising its own content and quality standards rather than trying to preclude a competitor from providing broadcast services as they were originally intended. Besides, should not the FCC be fostering competition rather than engendering yet another communications monopoly?